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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

LINCOLN, Neb., March 20, 2008 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.49 million cattle on feed on March 1, according to USDA's, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The inventory was down 1 percent from last year but 2 percent above March 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 350,000 head, down 3 percent from 2007 but 6 percent above 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 360,000 head, down 5 percent from last year but equal to 2006. Other disappearance during February totaled 10,000 head compared with 10,000 head for both February 2007 and February 2006.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP 2 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.9 million head on March 1, 2008. The inventory was 2 percent above March 1, 2007 but 1 percent below March 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.72 million, 4 percent above 2007 and 9 percent above 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.78 million, 4 percent above 2007 and 11 percent above 2006. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during February, 20 percent below 2007 and 18 percent below 2006.

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